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'MAJORITY OF ENGLISHMEN DEMAND INDIAN INDEPENDENCE'

M. P.'s Urge Release Of Congress Leaders

Pearl Buck Explodes Myth Of 'Whiteman's Burden'

WASHINGTON, January 27.

Five persons including a girl of 20 and a 30 year old clergyman picketed the British Embassy at Washington yesterday. They carried placards proclaiming that it was the Thirteenth Anniversary of India's "Declaration of Independence" and appealing "to Britain of Democracy to renounce Britain of the Empire".

"INDIA'S RIGHT TO FREEDOM NOW"

Release Of Congress Leaders Urged

(From A Special Correspondent)

LONDON, Jan. 27.

The Indian 'Independence Day' was celebrated to-day at two meetings, one held at Kingsway Hall by a Committee of Indian Congressmen and another by the India League at Holborn Hall. The speakers at Kingsway Hall, who included Mr. William Cove, M.P., Mr. Vera Brittain, Mr. Fred Messer, M.P., Mr. Fenner Brockway, Mr. Silverman, M.P., and Mr. Frank Horrabin enthusiastically supported India's right to freedom now and the release of Congress leaders for the formation of interim government.

The following resolution was unanimously passed:

"This meeting calls upon the Governments of the United Nations to declare India an independent nation and, as an immediate practical measure, recognise the Working Committee of the Indian National Congress, the supreme expression of the political aspirations of an overwhelming majority of the Indian peoples, as the interim Government of India, pending the convening of a Constituent Assembly."

AT HOLBORN HALL

At the Holborn Hall meeting the speakers were Mr. H. N. Brailsford, Lord Farrington, Professor H. Levy, Mr. Edward Thompson, Mr. Reginald Sorensen, M.P., and Mr. N. Gangulee.

Among the many messages sent to the meeting were from the Bishop of Birmingham, Lord Strabolgi, Dr. Maude Royden, Dame Elizabeth Cadbury, Mr. D. N. Pritt M.P., Professor Maurice Dobb, Mr. Lawrence Housman, Mr. Pollitt, Mr. George Caplin, the Dean of Canterbury, and Mr. Sean O'Casey. All the messages sent cordial greetings to the India League meetings urging the release of Congressmen, the reopening of negotiations and the formation of a National Government.

Lord Farrington declared that the majority of the English demanded Indian independence.

Mr. Edward Thompson dealt with the food situation and blamed the Government for the present crisis.

Prof. Levy said: "Give full support for the Indian peoples for our sake."

Both the meeting places were gaily decorated with Indian National Flags and the meetings commenced with National Song and reading of the Independence Pledge.

CONGRESS AND JAMIET WORKERS ARRESTED

SYLHET Jan. 27.

Fourteen Congress and Jamiet-ul-Ulema workers were arrested here yesterday for making demonstrations in connection with the observance of 26th January.

Three student workers were arrested for picketing before a local school gate.—A. P.

Pearl Buck Pricks It!

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.

Speaking at an Independence Day dinner under the auspices of the India League of America in New York on Tuesday Miss Pearl Buck declared: "When Englishmen tell us that we must help them to bear the burden of Asia if we want India free Isolationists among us come to new life. We see in India, thanks to England's emphasis on all possible differences there, something even more troublesome than Europe. We Americans really have no wish to take our share of the white man's burden.

There never was white man's burden, except in the sense the white man made a burden for himself by trying to force his rule upon reluctant peoples."—Reuter.

NINE WOMEN CONVICTED

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The following were convicted to-day at the Mazagaon Presidency Magistrate's Court for reading Independence Pledge at Marine Drive on "Independence Day":

Shrimatis Manikben Mehta, Chitra Pooviah, Lata Pooviah, Champavati Chhotani, Ramaben Bhatt, Anilaben Chhaya, Mrinalini Hajrat, Rukminiben Parekh and one other lady.

They were sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 30 each or two weeks' imprisonment in default.

Lady Student Fined Rs. 120

Miss Hemlata Sule, a student of Ram Narain Ruia College, who was arrested yesterday while reading a Congress Independence Day pledge at a meeting at Dadar was found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 120 or in default to undergo 4 weeks' simple imprisonment by Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazgaon Police Court, to-day.

Lingayya Puttal, who was arrested in connection with rioting was remanded in police custody till February 9.

On a charge of pasting an unauthorised poster on the railway bridge at Matunga, three persons were arrested by the Mahim police. They were allowed bail.

Found guilty of forming an unauthorised procession and shouting slogans, Jagannath Bansisa and Narayan Mangal were sentenced to undergo one month's rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 60, in default to undergo a month's rigorous imprisonment.

For possessing documents containing prejudicial reports and pasting posters, Ramswami Nanjaiya was sentenced to undergo three months' rigorous imprisonment.

2 FINED FOR TAKING OUT PROCESSION

Vishwanath Purshottam Narayan Ramchandra, and one other person were arrested yesterday for taking out a procession in connection with "Independence Day" at Medows Street. They were to-day produced before Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate at Mazagaon Police Court, who found them guilty and sentenced the first two accused to pay fine of Rs. 120 or in default to suffer rigorous imprisonment for two months. The third accused who appeared to be a minor was ordered to be sent to the Police Surgeon for report as to his age.

The same Magistrate imposed a fine of Rs. 120 on Ramdas Beni for leading a procession yesterday at Haines Road. In default of fine he was sentenced to undergo two months' R.I.

THREE BOYS DISCHARGED

Remarking that "accused are too young and they do not know what they are doing" Mr. Haji discharged three young boys who were arrested for shouting slogans and holding Congress flags by the Princess Street Police, yesterday.

PROCESSIONS AND ARRESTS

(Through A. P. and U. P.)

SURAT:—Natvarlal Nathabhai of Zampa Bazaar has been arrested for giving an envelope containing unauthorised literature to Mr. Pradhan, the City Magistrate.

Mohanlal Kasturchand Shah of Malifalia has been arrested for leading an unauthorised procession, holding an unauthorised meeting and addressing it.

Shantaben, Harjivandas Patel and Sharmishta Makrand Pandya of Amliran have been arrested for leading an unauthorised procession and addressing an unauthorised meeting.

Fakir Chhiha Patel of the village of Karadi and Jeram Vallabh Patel of the village of Matvad have been arrested in connection with acts of sabotage, says a report from Jalalpore.

According to a report received from Bardoli, Harendralal and Jayantilal of the village of Valod have been arrested for asking a Govt. servant to resign and shouting slogans.

Nine persons including three ladies have been released from jail after serving their terms of imprisonment, says a report from Rajkot.

SURAT:—Seven more persons have been arrested by the Jalalpore police in connection with sabotage activities recently reported from the Taluka.

BARDOLI—A postal runner was attacked on his way to Farad from Bardoli and his mail bag snatched away.

A person has been arrested in connection with the recent dacoity in the village of Gordha.

MIRAJ—Two wine shops in the Chuvnur and Jakdal talukas and a 'chavadi' at Galtage in the Chikodi taluka were set on fire. Similar reports have been received from Hirur in the Bedakihal taluka and Shindogs in the Saundath taluka.

An armed gang attacked a police party in a 'chavadi' at Talagi in the Walgaon district and looted revenue collections to the tune of Rs. 3,000/-. Two crude bombs are also reported to be exploded in the 'chavadi' just before the attack.

PESHAWAR—Ten Khudai Khidmatgars were arrested by the police and sent to the police lines.

SYLHET—Maulvi A.S.M. Mubarak, Commissioner of the Sylhet Municipality, Harinarayan Dam and Hridesh Das who had been arrested about 5 months back in connection with disturbances of August 31, have been made security prisoners under orders of the Government of Assam.

SAMPLE PACKET CATCHES FIRE

AHMEDABAD: A sample packet in a local post office caught fire today while it was being handed over to a postman for delivery. The packet was found to contain some combustible substance.

TWO MORE DIE IN HOSPITAL

POONA: Two more persons injured in the explosion in a cinema theatre last Sunday night have died in hospital.

37 CONVICTED

KARACHI: Fifty Congress volunteers arrested in connection with Independence Day demonstrations were produced before the City Magistrate who summarily tried them under D.I.R. and sentenced to 37 to 2½ months' imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50 or in default further imprisonment for six weeks, two were sent to prison for nine months five to imprisonment till the rising of the Court and one was acquitted. The cases against the remaining five were adjourned.

EXPLOSION IN DELHI THEATRE

NEW DELHI: There was an explosion late on Tuesday night in a cinema theatre in Old Delhi. No one was injured and there was no damage. One person was arrested on the spot.

The Additional District Magistrate sentenced today Mr. Krishnan Nair, and two others to undergo two years' rigorous imprisonment each. The accused were charged with setting fire to the Gheora Railway Station on August 11, 1942. For distributing objectionable leaflets one person was sentenced to undergo one year's R.I. on two counts, the setence to run concurrently.

Allies Bomb Burma Targets

R. A. F. And Tenth U. S. Air Force Take Big Toll

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

Bombers of the Tenth Air Force yesterday resumed attacks against Japanese-controlled installations in Burma, says an official communique from Rear Echelon Headquarters, United States Army Forces China-Burma-India.

Enemy fighters unsuccessfully attempted interception. Another bomber formation attacked concentrations of rolling stock in the railroad yards at Mandalay. All bombs were reported to have fallen in the target area.

BRIDGE DESTROYED

Other bombers, some with fighter escorts, struck at several points of rail communications in Northern Burma. A bridge at Shaduzup was reported seriously damaged, if not destroyed, after hits and near misses with light bombers. At Meza bombs were dropped on a steep embankment to cause interruption to traffic. At Naba junction the roundhouse and rolling stock were bombed and strafed.

Tons Of Bombs On Jap. Dromes

Last night R. A. F. bombers attacked the important Japanese aerodrome at Toungoo in Central Burma, says an India Command joint war Communique. Several tons of bombs were dropped on runways and in dispersal areas and a number of fires were burning as our aircraft left the target.

R. A. F. Bombs Bordeaux And L'Orient

LONDON, Jan. 27.

An Air Ministry Communique states: "Last night aircraft of the Bombay Command attacked the submarine base at L'Orient. Fires were seen indock areas.

Other bombers took part with Coastal Command aircraft in attacks on targets at Bordeux. Two aircraft of the Bomber Command are missing from these operations."

American bombers attacked naval installations in Germany today, it is officially announced.

BOMB 'FASCIST HIDEOUT'

Eden Heckled Again In Commons

LONDON, Jan. 27.

Mr. Eden was again questioned in the Commons to-day regarding the possibility of bombing Rome.

He was asked if there were any technical, political or diplomatic reasons to justify the exemption of Rome from R. A. F. Attentions, and if he was aware there was some "Suspicion regarding the reasons for according the Fascist Government this hide out."

Mr. Eden replied: "I made one extremely definite specific answer last week, and I really do not know why they should be suspicious of my wishing to create a Fascist hideout."

Mr. Eden said last week that the British have as much right to bomb Rome as the Italians to bomb London, and would not hesitate to do so if the course of war rendered such action convenient and helpful.—Reuter.

36 DETENUS RELEASED

BENARES, Jan. 27.

Thirty-six persons belonging to Benares city and district, who had been in detention under D. I. R. have been released in batches. The latest batch includes an A. I. C. C. member and a Provincial M.L.A.—A. P.

Australian Casualties In War

CANBERRA, Jan. 27.

The Prime Minister Mr. Curtin announced in the House of Representatives to-day that Australian casualties from the outbreak of the war to December 31, 1942 totalled 52,148 of these 6,826 were killed, 23,892 missing 9059 prisoners of war and 12,370 wounded.

LONDON: A British hospital for wounded British seamen has been established at Murmansk.

Inter-Allied "Action For Unity Of Fighting France"

U. S. Offer Lease-Lend Grant To Finance 'War Of Liberation'

DE GAULLE AND GIRAUD MEET: AGREEMENT IN SIGHT

WASHINGTON, January 27.

Considerable significance is attached in Washington at the selection of Casablanca for the meeting which is registered as a powerful "appeal for action" for French unity.

It is understood in Washington that if and when Gen. Giraud and Gen. De Gaulle reach complete agreement, the United States will be ready to grant lease-lend treatment to the Fighting French on a large-scale basis.

ALLIES TO FINANCE IT

ALGERIAS, Jan. 27.

The Allies are to help the French administration in North Africa to finance their war effort, it was announced on Tuesday when budget figures were made public by the French High Commissioner's Office.

The expenditure side of the budget shows 12,07,000 francs for civil expenses; 7,314 million francs for military expenses and 13,193 million francs for the conduct of war.

The largest sum for "conduct of war and equipment of the new French army" will be supplied by the Allies following the negotiations which are now going on.

Towards Fr. Unity

The French National Committee issued the following statement on Tuesday night:—"On the occasion of the Inter-Allied Conference in Africa, Gen. de Gaulle accompanied by Gen Catroux and Rear Admiral D. Argenlieu met Gen Giraud in French North Africa.

With a view to assuring intensification of war efforts of the Empire and of the forces on land, sea and air, it was decided that necessary liaisons should be established immediately.

Moreover, in the course of the conversations preliminary examination was made of the conditions under which French effort in the war of liberation could be developed taking account of the new situation in French North and West Africa.

Exchanges of views on this subject will be continued. Complete union of the Empire and armed forces in conjunction with the movement of resistance in France to be accomplished under conditions consonant with the will and duty of the French people remains the unmovable aim of Gen. de Gaulle and the National Committee."

Four-Fold Result Of Meeting

Reuter's Military Correspondent in London writes:—The hours in Casablanca were the hours of planning: the hour of action will come. The official statement about the meeting is naturally extremely reticent about the decisions which were reached.

But certain points emerge which are of deep significance:

First: Offensives against Europe will take place this year.

Second: When the plans are completed who is to commence these operations and how they are to be co-ordinated.

Third: They envisage a complete victory of the Allies and unconditional surrender of the enemy.

Fourth: Both the Soviet and Chinese Government have been consulted about and informed of Allied plans.

These four points will give the German High Command, which incidentally seems to have been in the dark about the venue of the meeting, cause for grave anxiety at a moment when troubles are gathering thick about their heads.

De Gaulle Optimistic

On his return to London Gen. de Gaulle made the following statement: "I was very honoured and happy to meet President Roosevelt in Africa. His friendship for France is particularly comforting factor in the struggle which the French people is waging against the enemy within and without its own territory. It was quite a satisfaction to me to be able to renew conversations on this occasion with the British Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill."

Allied Bid For Final Bout

LONDON, January 27.

From Reuters' special correspondent in Tunisia:—there is evidence of concentration of Allied strength in Tunisia for a final bout with the Axis for the possession of the whole of North Africa.

Americans have made considerable progress in the Ousseltia area.

In the pass at any rate Von Arnim missed the chance to make a stand.

More of the territory gained by Gen. Von Arnim's push against the French had been wrested back. The French had a part to play in these operations. They staged a diversionary action in Pichon area, while the Americans went for the pass.

Farther south an armed reconnaissance by the Americans from Gafsa area towards Maknassy marks the first Allied thrust to intercept Rommel and represents the most southerly of any operations by the Tunisia forces yet reported.

CAIRO.—Wednesday's Middle-East joint war Communique states: "Yesterday our troops were in contact with enemy rearguards west of Zaula.

All our aircraft returned from their operations."

Allied Headquaters in North-Africa: To-day's Communique said "In the Ousseltia Valley and in mountains to the east the Allied forces regained some positions which had been captured by the enemy during recent operations. Their positions are being consolidated.

Giraud Meets Churchill, Roosevelt And De Gaulle

LONDON, Jan. 27.

Allied Headquarters in North Africa:—General Giraud's headquarters have issued a "communique", saying that substantial results have been obtained for France arising out of the conference in North Africa, says Reuter's special correspondent.

The "communique" reads "An important Inter-Allied conference has just been held on our soil. On this occasion General Giraud met President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill, as well of military chiefs of the Allied armies. Substantial results have been obtained for France.

The United Nations have recognised in her an Ally, who has never ceased fight, either by continuing battle abroad or preparing to take up battle in her territory. Her action in Tunisia is a manifestation of her will to free her territory. Under the heading "Military Agreements" agreements have been reached in all fields, including priority in reception by the French American forces of armaments which are indispensable to them consisting of most modern material.

Under the heading "economic and financial agreements", comes the maintenance and completion at home and abroad of permanent defence of French interests.

Furthermore, on the occasion of this conference General Giraud met General De Gaulle. This personal contact permitted the first examination of conditions, under which French effort in the war of liberation might be organised. Exchanges of views will be continued on this subject. It has been decided henceforth to establish permanent liaison".—Reuter.

(EARLIER NEWS ON PAGE 6.)

Jap Peace Terms To China

NEW YORK, January 27.

Gen. Tojo, Japanese Prime Minister, is planning to make a peace proposal to China not later than September next, according to information reaching Korean circles in Washington, says the New York "Times" to-day.

The Japanese sponsored Nanking Government has been ordered to pave the way for the proposal among its former associates in Chungking.

The plan is said to be a liberal one, providing for the restoration of China to her status in 1937, with joint ownership in Manchuria and "Lend Lease" assistance from Japan.—Reuter.

ONE NAZI UNIT SURRENDERS

Terrific German Losses On Stalingrad Front

LONDON, Jan. 27.

Morning despatch from Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow: An important new Soviet advance in Voronezh is reported to-day.

The Soviet right flank has flung the Germans from three important centres of resistance. The Red Army has entered a new phase of offensive by the latest attacks west of this city.

The latest news from the remnants of the German Sixth Army before Stalingrad is that two more regiments no longer exist as a fighting force. One was wiped out—the other surrendered.

With Stalingrad and Voronezh free again the entire rail system west and south of the Don is now back in Soviet hands except for short stretches into Rostov. Moscow is again in full rail communication with south and south-eastern European Russia.

TERRIFIC NAZI LOSSES

German casualties inside the Stalingrad trap have been terrific. In 65 days since the encirclement was completed 220,000 crack German shock troops have been reduced to less than 12,000. In this period the Russian troops have taken 35,000 prisoners and killed 185,000 officers and men.

RUSSIAN FRONT AT A GLANCE

Here is the latest position on the fronts:—NORTH CAUCASUS: Gen. Maslennikov's forces driving along the Rostov-Baku railway towards Kropotkin have captured a number of towns and villages. In the battle outside one town protected by minefields and tank traps the Russians drove a wedge into the enemy positions after smashing up the obstacles by gunfire. One cavalry unit routed an enemy infantry battalion and two squadrons of cavalry. In a race to close up the Caucasus Germans' "escape hatch" at Tikhoretsk, two Soviet armies are advancing from points 30 miles away from this vital rail junction 90 miles south of Rostov.

LOWER DON: The Red Army is advancing despite savage German counter-attacks to stem their drive south towards Rostov. In one battle Soviet forces knocked out 14 German tanks and at another point occupied a number of villages. KHARKOV FRONT: Continuing their push the Russians consolidated their newly-won positions and repulsed enemy counter-attacks. One unit captured five towns or villages. LENINGRAD: Gen. Zhukov's forces are continuing their push on Leningrad and Volkhov fronts but Moscow has announced no details of the Soviet gains.

SOVIET COMMUNIQUE

MOSCOW: A supplement to today's midday communique reports that in the Stalingrad area one German infantry regiment has been wiped out, while another regiment surrendered.

STOP PRESS

NEW SOVIET OFFENSIVE

STOCKHOLM: The Russians have launched a violent new offensive in the Velikie Luki and Rzhev sectors on the central front, says the Berlin correspondent of Aftonbladet.

LONDON: American bombers' daylight raid on Wednesday was on Wilhelmshaven, it is officially announced.

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Public Notices

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Applications, together with full particulars of education and business experience should be addressed to:—

THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION,
Canteen Stores Department,
AMAR BUILDING,
Sir Phirozshah Mehta Road, BOMBAY.
(3204)

THE TATA OIL MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificates for ten Shares Nos. 89834/89843 of the above named Company registered in my name have been LOST or MISPLACED. Any persons claiming in respect of these Shares should lodge their claim at the Registered Office of the Company, Bombay House, 24 Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, within one month from this date, otherwise the Company will proceed with the issue of duplicate Certificates.

FRAM J. MADAN.
Dated 28th January, 1943. 718

G. I. P. RAILWAY

CHANGES IN RATES & FARES

IN ORDER that the Public may be advised when changes in rates and fares are introduced on the G. I. P. Railway, an announcement will be inserted in this paper from time to time notifying the issue of G. I. P. Rates Circulars, which contain all changes in rates and fares both in local and in through booking with other Railways. 3156

NOTICE

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED from local dealers for the supply T. I. B of Best Quality Indian Steam Coal to the Royal Indian Navy at the undermentioned ports during the period from 1st April, 1943 to 31st March, 1944.

Tender Forms and "Instructions to Tenderers" can be obtained from the following Officers at the undermentioned ports:—

(1) PRINCIPAL SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER, INDIA, 10, Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.
(2) SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER, KEAMARI, KARACHI.
(3) SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER, Old High Court Buildings, 1st Line Beach, MADRAS.
(4) NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, VIZAGAPATAM.
(5) NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, Willingdon Island Post Office, COCHIN. 3143

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A NEW MONTHLY KURI (CHITTY).

CAPITAL RS. 4,440|- DIVIDED INTO 111 TICKETS OF RS. 40|- EACH.

THE PUBLIC ARE HEREBY INFORMED that the first drawing of the said Kuri has been POSTPONED to 20th Makaram 1118 (2nd February, 1943), since many of our friends and well-wishers desirous of subscribing to the Kuri could not register their names and remit the subscriptions on or before the previously proposed date (5-6-1118|18-1-1943). A few more tickets are available and the intending subscribers are requested to register their names by sending the remittances for the 1st instalment forthwith.

By Order,
C. D. LONAPPAN,
Manager.

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that my client's husband VALENTINE CLIFFORD, who was doing business in ready made clothes, hosiery and other piecegoods at Patel Mansion, Chakla Street, Bombay, died at Bandra, on 13th January, 1943. Any person having dealings with the said Valentine Clifford is therefore requested to communicate in writing with the undersigned at his Office at Yusuf Building, 43 Esplanade Road Fort, Bombay. It is also hereby notified that all powers of attorney, all authorities given by the deceased to any person or persons have come to an end on his death.

M. T. CHHAYA, B.A., LL.B.,
Advocate for
Mrs. Issabel Valentine Clifford.
Bombay, 23rd January, 1943. (3164)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. MINOCHER PESTONJI PATEL, SORABJI PESTONJI PATEL, JEHANGIR PESTONJI PATEL, MERWANJI PESTONJI PATEL and PHIROZE BURJORJI VESUGAR, executors of the Will of the late Mr. Rustomji Dhunjibhoy Patel, all of Bombay Parsis have contracted to sell the undermentioned properties to our clients. Any person having any claim in or to the said properties or any of them or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, maintenance, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise is hereby required to make the same known in writing to us in our office No. 14K, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, and to the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same will be considered as waived.

ALL those five pieces or parcels of land (for ever and absolutely free from the payment of land revenue under Bombay Act II of 1876) situate on the East side of Colaba Road within the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay respectively admeasuring 1980 Sq. Yds. or thereabouts, 1158 Sq. Yds. or thereabouts, 1776 Sq. Yds. or thereabouts, 2598-5/9 Sq. Yds. or thereabouts, and 532 Sq. Yds. or thereabouts aggregating 8044-5/9 Sq. Yds. or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey Nos. 58, 58, 58, 58 and 2/58 respectively of Colaba Division which said five pieces form one composite piece or parcel of land on which are erected dwelling houses or buildings known as "HELIOPOLIS", "PATROPOLIS" and "ACROPOLIS" together the garages, servants quarters, swimming pool, etc. and which are assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under A Ward No. 203, Street Nos. 155-157, 157a Colaba Road, A Ward No. 201 (1), Street No. 157B Colaba Road and A Ward No. 201 (2), Street No. 157C, Colaba Road respectively and are bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the North-East partly by the property of Edulji Pirojshaw Umrigar, bearing C. S. No. 2/59, and C. S. No. 1/60 and partly by Foreshore, on or towards the South-West partly by the property of Burjorji Cowasji Cooper and others bearing C. S. No. 50 and partly by foreshore, on or towards the North-West by Colaba Road aforesaid and on or towards the South-East by foreshore, and are in the occupation of the tenants of the vendors.

Dated this 26th day of January, 1943.

MERWANJI KOLA & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
3196

Legal Notices

NOTICE

THE EXECUTORS OF THE ESTATE of the late Mr. SOLOMON MEYERS have contracted to sell the undermentioned immovable property to my client free from all incumbrances.

All persons having any claim, right, title or interest to or in the said property or any part thereof, by way of inheritance, possession, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Lawyers Chambers, Picket Road Kalbadevi, Bombay otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land of leasehold tenure, situate on and forming Plot No. 24 of the Ballard Estate of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement seven hundred and fifty-eight square yards and three ninth of another square yard or thereabouts together with the building known as EXCHANGE BUILDING standing thereon and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the North by Port Trust Land and beyond that by Plot No. 25, on or towards the South by Graham Road on or towards the East by Port Trust Land and beyond that by Plot No. 23 and on or towards the West by Sprott Road which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 9779 and Cadastral Survey No. 24/1187 Fort Division and situate in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Taxes under A Ward No. 2652 (25) and Street Nos. 16 and 5 Graham Road and Sprott Road.

Dated this 28th day of January, 1943.

K. V. NILKANTH,
Purchaser's Advocate. 3206

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PETER LUIS of Bandra Christian inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned properties to our clients.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said properties by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Sailor Building No. 373, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTIES:

All that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate lying and being at Mouje Pahadi Goregaon, Bombay Suburban District in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra containing by admeasurement 99000 (ninety-nine thousand) square yards or thereabouts and consisting of the several pieces of land mentioned below:—

S. No.	Hissa No.	Area A.	Area G.	Assessment Rs.	a.	p.
31	3	4	9	4	12	0
"	5	0	5	0	2	0
"	10 Part	0	9¼	0	4	0
"	11 Part	0	23	0	11	0
"	12	0	4	0	2	0
33	1 Part	7	24	8	14	0
37	1	0	26¼	4	1	0
38	2	0	16¼	2	5	0
"	5	0	10½	1	11	0
39	3	0	7½	0	15	0
"	5	2	23	15	7	3
"	7	0	8¼	0	14	0
41	2	0	2¼	0	5	0
"	3	0	19	2	8	0
"	4	3	10½	16	0	0

Dated this 27th day of January, 1943.

RAMANLAL & HIMATLAL,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
(3207)

Auction Sales

A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO PRIVATE BUYERS AND FURNITURE DEALERS.

Sale of Household furniture at Dream Land (next to Roxy Cinema) New Queens Road.

On SUNDAY, the 31st January, 1943, at 11 a.m. (N. S. T.)

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on the day and time as above, the surplus stock of The Victory Furniture Works comprising Drawing room, Settees, Easy chairs, Centre tables, Cabinets, Tea-poys, Sliding, Dining tables, Dinner chairs, Side Boards, Dumb Waiters, Silver and Porcelain Cabinets, Wooden Bedsteads, Chest of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Wardrobes, Bedside tables, Nursery furniture, Steel Cabinets, Office writing tables,—and various other articles of furniture, will be on view two days prior to sale.

The sale of Mill Stores, Mechanic workshop tools, and Hardware, will take place TO-DAY at 3 p.m. (New S. T.) at the room of the Auctioneers, 123, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay as previously advertised.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,

Auction Sales

MENESSE & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF 124 BALES COTTON (KHANEWAL SAWGINNED: MOGLAI ZERILLA: KHANDWA: C.P. NO. 1: BERAR & KHANDESH).

Messrs. MENESSE & CO will sell by public auction on THURSDAY, the 28th January, 1943 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Cotton Depot, Sewree, near the Cotton Exchange Building by order of the Insurance Office concerned the abovementioned cotton slightly damaged by fire and water salved from the fire that occurred in the Raghuvanshi Mills.

The above will be sold in different lots.

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BONAFIDE SALE

AUCTION SALE OF SPECIALLY MADE TO ORDER AND USED AND UNUSED THE WHOLE HOTEL TEAKWOOD FURNITRUE, CROCKERY DINNER TEA AND COFFEE SETS FRIGIDAIRES, BOX, ETC.

Under instructions from Mr L. Franck, sole Proprietor of the Astoria Hotel, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction TO-DAY Thursday the 28th January 1943 at 2-30 p.m. (New S.T.) and then on dates which will be announced hereafter, at the premises of Queens Furnishing Co., at New Queens Road, near Roxy Cinema where the furniture has been removed for sale.

Glass top dining tables, side boards, Dumb waiters, Modern beds with mattresses, Carpets, Soda Fountain with Soda Carborators, Icecream Mixer, cooking utensils, and numerous other articles all necessary for Hotel and used for 6 months only.

On view.

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BEN TILLETT DEAD

Veteran Trade Union Leader Who Led 1889 Dock Strike Dies At 82

LONDON:—The veteran Trade Union leader and former M. P. Mr. Ben Tillett died to-day in Manor Mouse Hospital, Goldersgreen, London, which he entered on December 15 suffering from gastric trouble. He was 82. Mr. Ben Tillett's death follows that on Sunday of Mr. John Burns who with Mr. Tillett and Mr. Tom Mann led the famous London dock strike in 1889.—Reuter.

JINNAH TO VISIT PINDI.

It is understood that Mr M. A. Jinnah will be paying a visit to Rawalpindi some time in February. He is expected to break journey at Lahore for a day or two.—Orient Press.

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CAPITOL—"Queen Christina" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL—"Invisible Agent" 4, 6-30 and 9-30
LAMINGTON—"Ek-Raat" 4, 7 and 10 p.m
BROADWAY—"Dillagi" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
STRAND—"Navy Blues" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
LIGHT HOUSE—"This Thing Called Love" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Fight for Peace" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
SUPER—"Gora Kumbhar" 4-15, 7 and 9-45
MINERVA—"Sharda" 4-45, 7-15 and 9-45
METRO—"Gay Sisters" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
CHITRA—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m
APOLLO—"Asra" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
AURORA—"Pardon My Sarong" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Dumbo" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Swami" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Ever Yours" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
NEW WEST END—"Zamindar" 3, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10 p.m
NOVELTY—"Haso-Haso" 4-30, 7 and 10
ROXY—"Kismet" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p. m
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
OPERA HOUSE—"Surdas" 5, 7-30 and 10
EROS—"Orchestra Wives" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
HIND-MATA—"Chandni" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
KOHINOOR—"Vasant Sena" 4, 7 and 10
CITY LIGHT—"Purnima" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m
SWASTIK—"Jawani" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PARADISE—"Top-Hat" 4-30, 6-45 and 10

ENGAGEMENTS

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: There will be no meeting of the Corporation to-day.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Meeting of the Standing Committee will be held in the Corporation Hall to-day (Thursday) at 1-45 p.m.

THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY: Mr. C. Anklesaria will lecture at the Besant Hall of the Lodge at French Bridge, Chowpatty, at 6-30 p.m.
Subject:—Divine Vision of Man.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS, MATUNGA: Study Class on "Heaven and Hell" from 'The Ocean of Theosophy' by W. Q. Judge. Putla House, Bhau Daji Road, Matunga, at 8-15 p.m.

A. R. P. SANTA CRUZ DIVISION: Rally of Wardens at Seth Anandilal Podar High School (New Hall) at 7-15 p.m. Mr. V. S. Talpade will speak.

THE FAMOUS LIFE INSURANCE CO., LTD: Opening Ceremony of the Company at 5-30 p.m. at their premises in "Dhan Nur", Sir P. Mehta Road.
Mr. J. C. Setalvad will preside.

JOURNALISTS' ASSOCIATION: Under the auspices of the Journalists' Association of India Prof. C. N. Vakil of the School of Economics and Sociology and University of Bombay will give a talk on "War Finance" on Tuesday, Feb. 2nd, at 6 p.m. at the premises of the Association Prospect Chambers Annexe, Hornby Road, Fort. The talk is open to the members only.

THANA CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION: The first meeting of the new Managing Committee was held on Sunday evening, Mr. A. C. Hendricks presiding.
Two Sub-Committees, Reading Room Committee and Sports Committee with Messrs. E. M. Alvares and Joseph A. Serpes respectively as Chairmen, were formed.
Mr. Felix Serpis was elected the Sports Secretary and Mr. Sunny Rebello the Librarian; Mr. A. Rebello was re-appointed the Director of the Association's Choir and Orchestra.
The inadequate supply of loaves in the town was also considered and a resolution urging the Collector of Thana to increase the quota of wheat flour to the only Christian Bakery in Thana was unanimously passed.

RAMNARAIN RUIA COLLEGE: "India Week" is being observed in the college since Wednesday. Prof. P. A. Wadia inaugurating the week described that this as a war only for the "Freedom of the Whites."

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 8 will meet near the Junction of Charni Road and Grant Road (Railway Hotel) on Saturday, the 30th January 1943, at 6-51 a.m. (B.T.) (8-30 a.m. S.T.) to go round the Ward.
Residents of the Ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time.

CITY HAS 5,000 TONS OF SIND RICE

No Purchases Are Still Made From Thana Or Kolaba Reveals Gorwala

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

That supplies have been coming regularly, every day, was the statement made by Mr. A. D. Gorwala, Supply Commissioner, at a Press Conference at the Secretariat, today.

Five thousand tons of rice have already reached Bombay from Sind 15,000 tons of millets have been promised from the Punjab and a part of the consignment has already arrived. All this is in the process of distribution in a city whose requirements are enormous. According to one estimate, Mr. Gorwala added, the city's grain requirements are 23,000 Bengal maunds a day.

Government has received complaints of profiteering in wheat, flour, bread. So far, there has been no control of prices for bread. The question of fixing price for bread, Mr. Gorwala added, is under consideration of the Government.

Replying to questions regarding the introduction of couponed rationing in the city the Supply Commissioner stated that the agencies of distribution under rationing are now under consideration. A system of issuing temporary ration cards for guests and others who temporarily reside in the city has yet to be devised.

Government retail stores, Mr. Gorwala said, have been increased from 78 to 92. Government would try to fix maximum retail price for wheat and arrangements have been made to sell match-boxes in all Government stores and shops.

"No purchases of rice from Kolaba or Thana Districts for or on behalf of U. K. C. C. have been made" was the reply given by the Supply Commissioner to a question put by a Press representative. One bag of rice per month with a permit could be brought by an agriculturist or a landlord to Bombay. The limit for each such district is 500 bags per month.

RICE PRICES.

The Government of Bombay has fixed the maximum prices for Sind red rice, in Bombay and the Bombay Suburban District, at Rs. 21-3-3 per bag of 163 lbs., wholesale, or Re. 0-15-0 per paylee retail in Bombay and Re. 0-15-3 per paylee retail in Bombay Suburban District.

Railway Workshop Workers' Demand Accepted

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, President of the Union, has issued the following statement:

Some workers in Parel and Mahaluxmi workshops had struck work since Friday the 22nd instant. The demands of the workers though very legitimate, do not justify a strike at this critical time. The strike has been engineered by a few interested self-imposed leaders and the workers have thus been misled. On the very first day of the strike, representatives of our Union met Mr. Austin, the Staff Manager, and immediately got their demand for the posts granted for the workers. This morning once again with the General Secretary of the Union, Maniben Kara, the President of the Indian Federation of Labour, interviewed Mr. Austin and has got an assurance from him that immediate steps will be taken with regard to the demand for more grain and increased dearness allowance. As a result of the efforts of our Union, the strike has been amicably settled and I am glad all the workers have gone back to work.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Jan. 27.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 23-1-43:—

Allahabad 74 48 0; Bombay 80 64 0; Calcutta 72 56 0; Cawnpore 74 47 0; Cuttack 69 59 0.5; Darjeeling 42 35 0; Delhi 71 46 0; Dehra Dun 68 45 0; Jacobabad 71 40 0; Karachi 75 56 0; Lahore 67 40 0; Lucknow 72 48 0; Madras 84 73 0; Nagpur 79 56 0; Patna 76 54 0.1; Peshawar 61 39 0; Shillong 59 42 0; Simla 47 35 0.—A.P.

NOTICE AGAINST "SENTINEL" EDITOR DISMISSED

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The defamation complaint lodged by Mrs. H. D'Silva against Mr. B. G. Horniman, editor of the "Bombay Sentinel" was disposed of to-day by Mr. Kantilal Thakore, Additional Presidency Magistrate at the Esplanade Police Court who dismissed the notice issued against Mr. Horniman.

The complainant alleged that an article, which appeared in the "Bombay Sentinel" on October 20, under the heading "Lottery racket again flourishes in the city" contained passages defamatory of her.

The Magistrate, after perusing the article remarked that the main object of the article seemed to be to comment on the lottery racket flourishing in the city to the detriment of the public.

Questioned by the Magistrate Mr. Horniman stated that he had nothing personal to say against the complainant of whom he knew nothing. In publishing the article he was only concerned to expose the lottery racket.

The complainant stated that she was satisfied with Mr. Horniman's statement.

The Magistrate thereupon marked the case compounded and acquitted Mr. Horniman.

Mr. Joachim Alva with Mr. Jashwant Bhatt appeared for Mr. Horniman. Mr. Salazar, Advocate, appeared for the complainant.

U. P. Government Not To Decontrol Wheat Prices

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 27.

It is understood that the Government of the United Provinces are not withdrawing the order regarding the fixing of the maximum prices of wheat by District Magistrates nor are they going to remove the restriction.

RAM GOPAL'S DANCES TODAY AT CAPITOL

Ram Gopal, the celebrated Indian Dancer of International fame, opens his season this evening at the Capitol. He is accompanied by a group of well-known male and female artistes from South India and a group of musicians under the direction of Vidhwan B. N. R. Rao and Sri Nataraj.

Ram Gopal and other dancers, inclusive of Kumari Chelreman will give pieces from Bharat-Natya and Kathakali, consisting of Shiva-Dance (Bharata-Natya) Garuda-Nritya, Golden Eagle dance, Thillama, Mohini-Attam, Cobra Dance, Rajput dance and Folk-dance. A special item of Javanese-Ballet, will also be performed. Some of the items are quite new to this city. These dances will be produced and staged under the direction of Sri Ram Gopal, as he did in London, Hollywood, New York, Paris, Warsaw and other cities of China, Japan and Java.

Munshi Opens Artists' Club Exhibition

Declaring open the art exhibition organised by the Artists' Club at the Modi Memorial Hall on Wednesday evening Mr. K. M. Munshi advised the artists to have as their motto "Art for art's sake", and not to be disappointed by any lack of appreciation of their work by the general public. True art, said the speaker, was the expression of the artist's inner self, which, though ignored by an unappreciative world, was sure to create joy and satisfaction for the artist himself. Sooner or later he was sure to gain his own reward.

The exhibition contained over 100 pictures consisting of pastels, black and white water-colours and oil-colours.

The exhibition will remain open till January 30.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

THURSDAY, January 28.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. B. S. Rawat. 5-10 Anwaribai. 5-25 Afzal Husain. 5-35 Zohra Jan. 5-45 Asad Ali Khan. 6-5 Pilu on sarangi. 6-45 Zohra Jan. 6-55 Krishna Swami. 7 Hamare Chhupe Dost —2. 7-15 Anwaribai. 7-25 Cornet recital. 7-30 Zohra Jan. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Zohra Jan. 8-40 Bihari Kavi ke Dohe. 8-45 Bhajan Lal. 8-55 Delhi Radio Orchestra. 9-30 B B C News. 9-45 War inquiry. 10 Ustad Bundu Khan. 10-20 Anwaribai. 10-30 Asad Ali Khan. 10-45 Filmi Gane.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Bismillah and party. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 Roshanara Begam. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 G. M. Durrani. 9-25 Bhajans. 9-35 S. M. Mayekar. 9-45 P. Taranath. 10-30 p.m. Gujarati duets. 12-45 News in Marathi. 12-50 News in Gujarati. 12-55 News in Hindustani. 1 Melodious melodies 1-30 News in English 1-40 Lunch-hour music 4-20 School broadcasts. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 Jitubhai Mehta 5-15 S. M. Mayekar. 5-25 G. M. Durrani. 5-40 P. Taranath. 5-55 Local news and announcements. 6 Roshanara Begam. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani 6-45 News commentary. 6-50 Jitubhai Mehta. 7 The best novel of the year. 7-15 S. M. Mayekar. 7-30 G. M. Durrani. 7-45 News in Marathi 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Mohan Nagarkar. 8-20 Topical talk. 8-30 Books and authors. 8-45 Dot and dash. 9 News in Hindustani 9-20 News in English 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Julia Wortmann 10 Lilian Yeo. 10-10 Interlude. 10-15 Leo D'Souza. 10-25 Interlude. 10-35 Antsher Lobo

Pinjara Jamat Excommunication Dispute

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chagla).

Ismail Rehman ..... Plaintiff,
Versus.
Hussein Jamal and Others ... Defendants.

The defendants are the leaders of the Kathiawad Muslim Pinjara Jamat. The plaintiff filed this suit against them for a declaration that his excommunication from the Jamat without any reason having been assigned for it was illegal and that he continued to be a member thereof. He alleged that he had been lowered in the eyes of the Jamat by reason of the "bangi" of the Jamat going from house to house and asking people to refrain from having anything to do with the plaintiff.

The defendants stated that no resolution had been passed by the "panch" excommunicating the plaintiff nor had the "bangi" been sent round as alleged, but that the plaintiff himself had resigned from the Jamat and he refused to act according to the amended rules and to pay the subscription.

At the hearing His Lordship passed a decree by consent to the effect that on the plaintiff withdrawing all allegations against the defendants and paying into court the arrears of subscription and observing the rules and on his applying to the Jamat to be re-admitted to it, the defendants agree to take the plaintiff back into the Jamat and that save as aforesaid the suit be dismissed without any order as to costs.

Mr. M. D. Laud instructed by Messrs. Vaidya and Co., appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. M. A. Laud instructed by Messrs. Khanderao Laud and Co., appeared for the defendants.

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THE BETTER WAY

In his speech at the annual general meeting of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, on Wednesday Mr. J. C. Setalvad, the retiring President, rightly condemned the manifestations of violence in various parts of the country, but at the same time he did well to add: "It is, however, preposterous to suggest that Gandhiji, whom His Excellency the Viceroy referred to as the greatest man in the country, and whom Field Marshal Smuts also considered as one of the biggest men at present, and who had dedicated his life to non-violence, could have at all initiated a policy which goes counter to all his life-work, life principles, and his public and private declarations. I am afraid, for my part, that, taking advantage of the absence of some of the leaders, certain people have chosen to queer the pitch for the Congress, and Government spokesmen have taken this up to condemn more and more the Congress and to set up a strong barrier between the Congress and the country in general." Herein Mr. Setalvad expresses the view of Congressmen and all right-thinking men. The Congress is pledged to non-violence in the achievement of Swaraj and no one has produced the slightest proof that it has now permitted any deviation from that policy. If any individual Congressmen or Congress sympathisers support violence to-day it is because they have been misled by the ceaseless repetition by interested persons of the lie that Congress has now resorted to violence. And the lie has got to be exposed as often as necessary in fairness to the Congress leaders who are in prison and are, therefore, unable to repudiate the false charge against them.

The Vicious Circle

While violence on the part of any section of the public must be strongly condemned, violence on the part of officials in imposing savage punishments on persons guilty of even non-violent or technical offences must also be condemned. In this class come sentences of whipping and unconscionably long terms of imprisonment for offences like shouting Congress slogans or joining Congress processions or meetings or possessing Congress bulletins and "prejudicial" reports. Savage punishments have not even the merit of ending violence. They only drive violence underground. The vicious circle of violent repression calling forth violent resistance and thus in its turn inviting fresh repression has already become a most sinister danger for Government and public alike. And we firmly believe that only Gandhiji and other Congress leaders can end this spreading menace of violence.

Need For National Government

A new form of violence has emerged during the last few weeks and that, too, demands serious attention. It is the looting of grain shops as a result of abnormal scarcity of grains and other necessaries of life. This menace, too, is spreading and can be tackled effectively only if there is co-operation between Government and the accredited leaders of the people. Mr. Setalvad stated a plain truth when he said: "What is required for meeting such a crisis in the country is the restoration of popular Governments in the different Provinces and establishment of a popular National Government at the Centre. It is confidence which is the main thing; and it is no use hiding the fact that Governments, constituted as they are, do not enjoy that confidence of the public, which should be there, if the war has to be fought on the two fronts: one on the frontiers and the other inside the country for the food situation." For the fight at both the fronts, for the purpose of maintaining the morale of the people and ending every form of internal violence, a popular National Government is indispensable. And though Mr. Amery frequently tells us that freedom is not a matter of gift but has got to be taken, we still hope, in the interest of peace, that India's freedom will be recognised in an amicable settlement.

Casablanca Conference

President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill have met again—for the third time since the United States entered the war—in the same dramatically secret manner as on the two previous occasions. From the tremendous publicity which has followed in the wake of this meeting held in purdah and extended over ten days, one would have expected that some more light would have been shed on the nature of the deliberations conducted at the meeting than has been vouchsafed to the mystified world. The most important facts that have been doled out to the expectant world are that it has been decided that Russia as well as China should be helped to a more substantial extent than heretofore and that Generals De Gaulle and Giraud have at last met and agreed on the liberation of Frenchmen. The prime object being to "draw as much of the weight as possible off the Russian armies by engaging the enemy as heavily as possible at the best selected points", complete agreement has been reached on the offensive campaigns of 1943. Naturally, "the entire field of war was surveyed theatre by theatre throughout the world and all resources were marshalled for a more intense prosecution of the war by sea, land and air". It would have been surprising if a conference of this kind had not been held "with a view to drawing the utmost advantages from the markedly favourable turn of events at the close of 1942". Such a conference should have been attended by Stalin and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek also, but it is regrettable that they could not participate in it though invited. India is vitally concerned in the Allied offensives of this year as one of the most important of this offensives must be one whose object would be to drive the Japanese out of the territories occupied by them and the presence at such a conference of the representative of her National Government would have ensured the speedy success of that offensive and proved a moral gain of tremendous value to the cause of the Allies. But, unfortunately, neither Mr. Churchill nor President Roosevelt seem yet to realise this fact.

According to President Roosevelt, they had in this conference, which Mr. Churchill described as "the most important war conference he had known", kept two primary objectives before them in all the discussions—, first, the principle of pooling the Allied resources on a world-wide basis; second, maintaining the initiative of the Allied Powers in every part of the world. It is curious, however, that though the official communique says that complete agreement was reached upon war plans and enterprises to be undertaken during the campaign in 1943 against Japan as well as Germany and Italy, Reuter's correspondent referring to decisions of the Conference mentions only offensives in Europe. A more vigorous campaign in Burma is as essential immediately as any offensive in Europe. Meanwhile, it is heartening to know that the differences between Generals De Gaulle and Giraud have been smoothed down and that henceforth all fighting French will rally round a single standard in their struggle to free their country from Axis domination.

India And Atlantic Charter

Begum Shah Nawaz, one of India's "delegates" to the Pacific Relations Conference, who has just returned to India, has expressed her "firm belief" that the Atlantic Charter would be applied to India also. One would like to know whether this is only her "belief" or whether, as Sir Mohammad Zafrullah Khan, who was also a "delegate" to the Conference, wants us to understand, the Conference has definitely decided that the Charter must apply to all the countries affected by the war. The Begum was averse to throwing any light on the trend of the discussions at the Conference, because, according to her, they are a closely guarded secret. This is an amazing thing to be told. We can understand the necessity for secrecy in the matters affecting the military operations or the relations of the United Nations with neutral nations, but to shroud under a veil of secrecy even such matters as the resolve to extend the application of the Atlantic Charter to all the countries ranged against the Axis Powers, whether they are situated in Europe or in Asia and Africa, is the height of absurdity. The pious hopes expressed by Begum Shah Nawaz and her fellow-delegates that the Atlantic Charter would be applied to India also, will not beguile their countrymen, so long as Messrs. Churchill and Amery refuse to endorse the pledge officially.

Instead of asking their countrymen to entertain vague hopes, which may not at all materialise, the Begum and her colleagues would have been better advised if they had addressed straightforward queries to the President of the United States and the Premier of Great Britain, the joint "god-fathers" of the Charter, whether the Charter was to be applied to India or not. Mr. Churchill has declared that the Charter does not apply to India. Mr. Roosevelt has, however maintained sphinx-like silence about this declaration. Would the Begum and her fellow-delegates tell their countrymen why they failed to elicit explicit official confirmation either from President Roosevelt or Mr. Churchill, of the intention of the Governments of which they are the heads to make the Charter applicable to India also? Or, did they come to know too much of the truth about this boosted Charter to risk being snubbed by its authors?

Frankly Speaking

Independence Day In London

It is pleasing to learn that a public meeting of Indians and Englishmen in London celebrated the Indian Independence Day and that the Independence Pledge was read out at the meeting. What is most pleasing is that there were no arrests and no baton charges. If similar peaceful demonstrations were allowed in India, nothing would have been lost. The needless interference only created trouble in many places and led to firing in at least one.

The Civic Budget

The Bombay Municipal Corporation had comparatively little difficulty in adopting the Budget estimates this year. This was perhaps mainly due to the absence of any fresh taxation in spite of deficit budget during the last ten years. The big items of expenditure like water supply and drainage were non-controversial. Growing population and the development of fresh areas call for more water and better drainage. The opening of many wells as a war emergency measure has given rise to mosquito pests in various parts of the city and this evil must be remedied before it spreads. Else malaria will make havoc at a time when quinine, the only specific against it, is extremely scarce. Moreover, food scarcity has led to widespread malnutrition which will doubtless tell on the public health of the city. Both Government and the Corporation should take timely steps against such a contingency. The Municipal Commissioner was right when he emphasized the urgency of a long-range programme for clearing slums and providing the poor with better housing and the necessity of spending more money on education.

Children's Book Exhibition

An interesting feature of the Child Welfare Conference to be opened to-morrow in the University Hall by Lady Cowasji Jehangir is the Children's Book Exhibition, which too, will be opened to-morrow. It is announced to be in the form of a supervised reading room for children and will exhibit about 500 books in English, about 900 in the languages of the province and, as far as possible, all the Children's Magazines in circulation to-day. We have no doubt the Exhibition will be highly instructive, and the National Council of Women in India deserves to be congratulated on organising it. The Council may well consider the feasibility of publishing a small select list of books and magazines best suited to Indian children. Such a list will be most useful to teachers and parents.

Turkish Press Delegation Eat Pathan Lunch

PESHAWAR, Jan. 26.

The members of the Turkish Press Mission were entertained to a typical Pathan lunch by Khan Bahadur Mian Ferozshah, a timber magnate at his hujra (guest house) in Nowshera, an important Frontier station on the right bank on Kabul river. M. Atay and the other members were introduced to many prominent Khans.

The delegation left N.-W. F. P. this afternoon, for Rawalpindi, headquarters of India's N. W. army.

NAZI MAN-POWER CRISIS

NEW YORK: A further sign of Germany's rapidly growing man-power crisis appeared in a dispatch from Berne.

The dispatch said that Germany is to mobilise all boys from the age of 15 upwards for tasks of "secondary importance," releasing more men for the front—Reuter.

Mr. Sambamurty In Bombay

Mr. B. Sambamurty has arrived in Bombay for a few days' stay. He is staying with Mr. C. Nageswara Row, Guzdar Park, Girgaum.

Large Jap Ship Set On Fire

LONDON, Jan. 26

Allied Headquarters South-west-Pacific:

A communique reports further raid on Rabaul where Allied bombers set a large Japanese ship on fire.

Challenge To British Statesmanship

Indian Merchants' Chamber's Appeal To Govt. To Enlist Co-operation Of Public On Finance And Food Fronts

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A plea for complete co-operation between Government and the business community and the general public in order to fight the food crisis and thus save the city and the Province from the food scarcity was made by Mr. J. C. Setalvad, the retiring President of the Indian Merchants' Chamber at the Annual General Meeting held this evening.

Continuing, Mr Setalvad said that the factors which were responsible for the present crisis were the imperfection of the present control system, lack of adequate transport facilities, export of foodstuffs to foreign countries hoarding and want of co-ordination between the Provinces. In this connection, he said that the scarcity of sugar in the city some time ago and the present scarcity of wheat were due to want of co-ordination between the Provinces. This could be solved if the Government of India took full powers to control grain stocks available in the country and arrange for their equitable distribution among the different Provinces in order to relieve the acute situation prevailing in the country. This was imperatively necessary in view of the unreasonable attitude taken up by certain surplus Provinces like the Punjab, U.P. Bengal Sind, etc

CRIPPS' LEGACY

Referring to the year that had passed, he said that the country had passed through a slough of despond. They had days of hopes when Sir Stafford Cripps came on his mission, but, unfortunately, that mission went to merely aid to the catacomb of broken hopes. The state of the country, in fact, became much worse after the mission than before it; and the policy pursued by the Government of India since August last had bewildered some of its supporters and friends.

Referring to the policy of the British Government towards India, he wanted to know whether they were satisfied that it was the best in the interests of the country. Indo-British relations, and the United Nations. He believed that there was such a thing as statesmanship and he could not conceive that British statesmanship was dead altogether. He wanted the Government to realise that the course they had been pursuing would not tend to ensure co-operation between India and England, and that it was this co-operation which was wanted at present, both in the interests of this country and the United Nations

Danger Of Sterling Depreciation

Mr. Haridas Madhavdas, the incoming President in his speech pointed out the danger of sterling depreciation at the end and during the course of the war and explained the urgent need for avoiding the consequences of such depreciation on any large scale holding of sterling balances as at present.

Continuing, he said that there was a large increase in the sterling balances lying to their credit in England. The Sterling assets with the Reserve Bank of India in its Issue Department amounted to just under Rs. 60 crores in August, 1939. On 15th January, 1943, the figure stood at Rs. 350.3 crores. On 1st January, 1943 the balance was in the neighbour hood of Rs. 480 crores. The recent decision to purchase Railway debentures would absorb another £20 millions. Even after all this, the aggregate would remain near the 400 crores mark and it was reasonable to assume that it would be continuing to accumulate Sterling perhaps at the same fast rate

He appealed to the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber to examine the suggestions made in the Press by public bodies regarding the utilisation of the sterling balances by the purchase of foreign obligations of India, including British investments and enterprises in India, acquiring gold, and dollar resources and the purchase of capital equipment such as machinery etc.

Regarding international agreement, he said that whoever might be sitting at the Conference table when the Agreement with U. S. A. was being considered would he hoped, see that the agreement did not aim at India being merely a supplier of raw materials and getting her finished products from foreign countries.

CLOTH EXPORT MUST BE BANNED

Referring to shortage of cloth, he said that the total net supply of cloth was 3.350 millions yards, as against their requirements of about 6,000 million yards. Exports of cloth from India had during the last five years increased at an enormous rate and that was responsible for the present shortage. In this connection he urged the Government to place a total ban on exports of cloth and appealed to the people to buy less cloth.

Mr. Haridas also made an appeal to the Government to help the members rather than hinder in getting food supplies to the city.

The report and the accounts of the Chamber was then adopted.

U.K.C.C. ACTIVITIES CONDEMNED

Major S. A. Paymaster, speaking at the meeting condemned the activities of the U.K.C.C. and said the policy of the Government seemed to be scarcity at home and charity abroad.

The meeting also adopted the following resolution moved by Mr. Sarabhai Pratapraj.

"The Indian Merchants' Chamber view with apprehension the recent speeches of Lord Craigmyle and Lord Catto and the trend of European business opinion in India as they have ascertained from other sources, and strongly condemn the implications which involve curtailment of the full Sovereign authority of the National Government as may be established hereafter. The Chamber condemn all attempts at prior commitments safeguarding non-Indian interests and obstructing the full growth and development of Indian industries owned, controlled and managed by Indians by measures which may be taken by the future Government of Free India. The Chamber call upon Government of India and Indian public opinion to stoutly oppose such moves anywhere where they see them and to watch out that Indian interests now or hereafter are not sacrificed to satisfy the non-Indian interests and to consolidate the continuation of imperialistic exploitation of India".

BALLOT FAVOURS CHATTOPADHYAYA

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

Although ballot took place for non-official resolutions to be discussed on February 12 in the Central Assembly, it is unlikely that any new resolution will be moved. Already Mr. K. C. Neogy's undispossed resolution regarding the "police and military excesses" during the disturbances in August is pending before the Assembly since the September session and will be taken up first.

To-day's ballot, however, favoured Mr. Amarendranath Chattopadhyaya who secured first place for his resolution urging the appointment of a Standing Committee for labour. Mr. Jamnadas Mehta followed with a motion regarding public services inquiry into the grievances of railway officials and employees relating to dismissal, supersession, etc.

Sardar Sant Singh comes next with his resolution for the solution of the political deadlock and establishment of a National Government followed by a resolution urging the suspension of the Central Legislature by Haji Ismail Ali Khan and Mr. K. C. Neogy also has tabled a resolution regarding emigration of labour in Ceylon.—United Press.

Frontier Jamiats' Invitation To Phillips

LAHORE, Jan. 27.

The Frontier Jamiat Ulema has written to Mr. Phillips, U. S. A. Special Representative, to meet representatives of the Ulema in order to understand the viewpoint of the **Frontier Muslims.**—Orient Press.

Joshi To Raise Debate On Govt. Refusal To Rajaji

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

The refusal of permission by the Government to Mr. C. Rajagopalachari to interview Mahatma Gandhi in jail to discuss the present political situation in the country and make efforts to bring about a satisfactory solution of the present impasse, is expected to come up before the forthcoming session of the Central Assembly.

The "United Press" learns that Mr. N. M. Joshi, the Labour leader, has tabled an adjournment motion to discuss "the refusal of the Government of India for permission to Mr. Rajagopalachari to interview Mahatma Gandhi to discuss with him the question of settlement of the political situation.—United Press.

Inert Dust To Protect Grain Discovered

LONDON, Jan. 27.

The discovery of a new "inert" dust which will kill insect pests in stored grain is described to-day in "Chemistry and Industry" the journal of the Society of Chemical Industry. The dust is ten times more effective against grain weevils than the best mineral dust prevously known.

The discovery has been made by Mr. J. A. Kitchener, Mr. P. Alexander and Mr. H. V. A. Briscoe of the Department of organic and physical Chemistry, Imperial college, London, who have been studying the problem since the outbreak of the war.—Reuter.

COIN HOARDERS ARRESTED

LAHORE: Two merchants were arrested under the D.I.R. for hoarding small coins of the value of Rs. 750.—United Press.

Books For Children

Interesting Exhibition To Be Held This Week

(By Our Woman Correspondent)

On Friday the 29th instant will be opened the Children's Book Exhibition under the auspices of the Children's Welfare Committee of the National Council of Women in India. The Exhibition will be held in the Bombay University Convocation Hall and will remain open till Saturday, the 6th February

Although the Exhibition is not the first of its type it comes as a welcome break and promises to be both interesting and instructive. The organisers have been able to collect a substantial number of books in English, Marathi, Gujerati, Urdu and Hindi Their aim is two-fold. Firstly, to give the children an idea of the literature available for them and then let them select what they like best. To assist them in their selection talks will be given daily in four languages from 3 p.m. to 3-30 p.m. The speakers, who are all leading educationists, will review some of the outstanding books in a manner which would interest the children. Books will be open to sale, but only to the youngsters themselves, and at as concessional rates as possible under the present conditions. Secondly, the types of books selected by the children, it is hoped, will awaken our publishers to the requirements of this very important section of their readers and patrons. It is a well-known fact that most of the books, written in Indian languages are extremely uninteresting. Not only is there usually too much of reading matter, but the illustrations which are invariably in black and white, are downright ugly and repulsive. It is earnestly hoped that this exhibition will open the eyes of our writers and publishers to the paucity of suitable and attractive literature for our youngsters in their own languages and induce them to make an effort to improve the standard

Another interesting feature of the exhibition will be to inform and interest the children in their popular authors by displaying the authors' photographs along with an account and list of their works. Children seldom read reviews published in the papers of their elders. Here will be an opportunity for them to know and learn without getting bored.

It is hoped that the children of Bombay will make full use of the opportunity, and have a gala week, with so many books at their disposal and interesting talks out on the lawns to guide them in their selection.

It will be a pity, however, if the Exhibition is not followed up by something more substantial and permanent. A children's library and reading room with a suitable staff to act as guides and informants is urgently needed. Majority of our schools lack libraries and most of our children starve for want of reading material other than their dry text books. Also very few children, indeed, can afford to buy books. A public library can, to a very great extent, remove the existing shortcomings for rich and poor alike. Here is a chance for the rich public of Bombay to rally to a cause which would benefit all our school-going children.

DELUSION OF INFLATIONARY PROSPERITY

Beware Of Deflation After War, Warns Prof. Vakil

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Prof. C. N. Vakil delivered to-day the last of his series of three lectures at the Convocation Hall. To-day's subject was "The Delution of Inflationary Prosperity". Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta presided.

Mr. Vakil said:—

During war time the Government is the biggest buyer of goods and services. Industrialists and businessmen to a large extent become contractors for the supply of goods to the Government. They work at maximum capacity to carry out orders which go on increasing from time to time They usually get a high price for their goods from Government. For the same class of goods if there is a private demand, they get a still higher price from the public, because the supply for civilian consumption becomes limited.

The large profits which businessmen are able to earn in this way are shared by the State in the form of Excess Profits Tax. But in spite of this tax, the rich are able to grow richer.

They do not see that these are paper fortunes, that is, though they get more rupees, the value of each rupee in terms of goods is less

PROCESS OF CREATION OF MONEY.

During war Government tries to increase taxation and saving with a view to divert a large part of the nation's current income or saving to itself for purchasing goods and services for war. But if the expenditure of the Government is larger than its receipts from taxes and loans it is financed by the creation of money. The new money competes with the existing supply and forces up prices and restricts consumption. It is in this way that the Government draws national resources from the people for the war. This particular method unlike normal times, is continuous so long as the war lasts; the process of creation of money goes on at an increasing pace and the consequent inflation assumes unusual dimensions. The deflation which must follow will also be of equal magnitude resulting in considerable harm to society Factories and businesses will have then to close down or go into liquidation; in some cases production will be curtailed; only the few strong ones will survive. The poor will suffer because of consequent unemployment.

The speaker criticised the contention of Sir Chunilal Bhaichand Mehta who said that there was no inflation in India to-day

"Inflation is an evil for the masses of the people now; it will be followed by deflation which will also lead to suffering for the masses due to unemployment. Inflation creates and intensifies all the contrasts of wealth and poverty, of abundance and shortages. The apparent prosperity of the few rich may delude them into the belief that all is well, but they will realise after the war that this prosperity is temporary. In any case the prosperity of the few is not the prosperity of the country as a whole."

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta in his presidential remarks said that in the process of repatriating India's Sterling Securities, India had paid a sum of Rs. 35 crores in excess.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

GAUHATI, January 25.

Owners of all firearms and ammunition are to surrender them along with the licences at the nearest police stations by February 7 in Kamrup District except the towns of Gauhati, Barpeta, Palasbari and Nalbari under a notice issued by the District Magistrate.

The notice adds that the weapons and ammunition will be stored by Government at a safe place and returned to the owners either at the termination of hostilities or earlier if thought fit.—A. P.

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The Allied aim, according to Mr. Cordell Hull, should be "to destroy utterly the forces of dictatorship, tyranny and inhumanity exampled to-day in Germany, Italy and Japan....."

And not the forces of "dictatorship, tyranny and inhumanity" exampled elsewhere?

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Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt met in North Africa to discuss war and post-war plans and policies.

India was by-passed again!

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"M. Stalin", we are told, "was invited to take part in the conference, but was unable to leave Russia because of the offensive which he is directing. He was kept fully informed of the military proposals."

Only the *military* proposals?

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During the President-Premier talks the all-knowing Reuter informs us, "Freedom of speech was the order of the day."

Probably that's why the conversations could not be held in India!

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Not only the cost of living but "the cost of death", too, has become more expensive. Thus reads a Calcutta report:—

Owing to prevailing high prices, funerals are to cost more in Calcutta.

The Calcutta Corporation have issued a statement that "due to increase in prices of all articles needed for cremation ceremonies and excessive increase in labour charges the scheduled rates for cremation articles for the different burning ghats under the Calcutta Corporation have been temporarily increased by 50 per cent until further orders."

We had been tempted by the frequent air-raids to migrate to Calcutta but on reading this report we have changed our mind.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS
(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague).

(1) The Indian National Congress might transfer its headquarters to London where one can hold Independence Day meetings that are banned in India.

(2) When Doctor Ambedkar met Mr. Phillips they compared the conditions of Negroes in U.S.A. with those of the Depressed Classes in India.

(3) At the conclusion of the conversation, Mr. Phillips observed that what the Depressed Classes of America need is an Ambedkar.

(4) Mussolini is searching for a king for Albania and will not cease in his search till he has found—himself.

(5) "Rationing" which is coming to Bombay means we will have to produce an identity card before being turned away from an empty grain-shop.

(6) Mr. Churchill is sincerely sorry that M. Stalin could not be present at the Casablanca Conference, though he was cordially invited. The same applies to Marshal Chiang-kai-Shek, too.

(7) Mahatma Gandhi was also invited to represent India at this conference of democracies but could not attend for "unavoidable reasons."

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"I told my wife I would shoot any man who had flirted with her in the Hills.

"What did she say?"

"She told me to bring a machine-gun."

Brigadier Wash And Seven Officers Killed In U. S. 'Plane Crash

MOBILE (Alabama) - Tuesday.

Passengers on board a big U. S. transport plane which crashed near Bluff Springs, Florida to-day included Brigadier Gen. Carlyle H. Wash Commanding General, Second Interceptor Command and seven other officers.—Reuter.

British And Iranian Officers Killed In Air Crash

BAGHDAD, Jan. 27.

Mr. Stephen Childs, the Director of the Public Relations Bureau at Teheran, a staff officer of the Royal Air Force and high officers of the Iranian Army and Air Force were killed when their plane crashed on Jan. 18. 70 miles west of Teheran The party was on their way to visit the Air Officer Commanding in Persia and Iraq Despite an extensive search the wreckage of the plane was not found until Sunday.

William Phillips Meets Sapru And Moon

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

Mr. Prakash Narayan Sapru, member of the Council of State, and Dr. B. S. Moonje met Mr William Phillips, President Roosevelt's personal envoy **to-day.—United Press.**

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Jan. 27.

Some important firms are buying cotton and prices are hardening but in view of increased movement in the interior markets we do not look for any material improvement, although the market is showing strength with possibility of further improvement before a reaction sets in. It is difficult to form any long range opinion about the market as numerous causes are operating at the moment, but we do not favour short sales and prefer purchases on important setbacks.

The market opened firm at a rise of about Rs. 7 per candy and March was quoted Rs. 415. There was some buying and realising and prices fluctuated between Rs. 414 and Rs. 415 and settled at Rs. 415 awaiting professional action.

Later on there was renewed selling and prices declined to Rs. 412/8.

At this level professional buying developed and prices spurted to Rs. 417/8 with scattered realising appearing from time to time which was well absorbed. There was some covering and prices advanced to Rs. 420. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under :—

I.C.C. MARCH	Rs.	419 8 0
I.C.C. MAY		419 8 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Jan. 27.

Khandesh Jarilla +5/15
Berar Jarilla +15/30
C. P. 1 Jarilla +40/55
C. P. 2 Jarilla +25/35
4 F. Roller +10/20
L. S. S. Roller +90/105
289 F Roller +140/150
289 F Saw-ginned +180/200

COTTON OPTIONS

Bombay, Jan. 27.

I.C.C. March Double Options :—

February		16	8 0
Teji Rs. 10 difference		5	0 0
Mandi Rs. 10 difference		4	8 0
Teji Rs. 15 difference		4	0 0
Mandi Rs. 15 difference		3	8 0
Teji Rs. 20 difference		3	0 0
Mandi Rs. 20 difference		2	8 0
Teji Rs. 25 difference		2	4 0
Mandi Rs. 25 difference		1	12 0

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CALCUTTA :: BOMBAY

Agents:
ORIENT DRUG AGENCY
Princess Street, Bombay 2.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 27.

Yesterday, London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York.

London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d and New York spot silver was quoted at 44 3/4 cents.

The local market was quietly steady with a moderate business and prices fluctuated within a narrow range.

Quotations were as under :—

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	66	9 0
Maha		66	3 0
Sovereigns		48	8 0

SILVER

Ready		101	0 0
Maha		98	14 0

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, Jan. 27

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales.

	Yesterday.	This year	Since 1st Sept. Last year
Khandesh	839	64,232	40,166
Central India	5,285	22,464	12,751
Barsi and Nagar	168	11,438	33,196
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	9,931	5,271
Berar	926	95,714	108,081
Central Provinces	.....	8,629	45,624
Total Oomras	7,218	212,608	245,089
Dholeras	222	12,386	16,162
N W Provinces	.....	507	1,021
Rajputana	.....	44	378
Sind-Punjab	7,373	310,279	250,008
Broach	.....	22,468	26,853
Coompta and Dharwar	70	53,606	6,413
Westerns-Northerns	.....	16,019	5,956
Cocoanada	.....	.....	.....
Tinnevelly and Cambodias	.....	14,596	8,476
Arrived by road to 21st January 1943	.....	28,500	57,500

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, Jan. 27

Linseed February		0	6 0
Groundnuts May		7	8 0
Castorseeds May		9	0 0
Silver Mahs		4	4 0
Gold Maha		1	12 0

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Jan. 27.

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG
Jarilla	429	424	419	414
Western	439	434	429	424
Saw-gd. 4 F.	454	449	444	439
Pun/American 4 F	429	424	419	414

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STOPS ALL CHAFING

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BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 27.

The local share bazar opened firm under the influence of encouraging war reports and while the market shows signs of confidence the overbought situation called for a temporary halt of the upward movement and this theory attracted some profit-taking and active shares lost few points from the opening level. As a matter of fact there is increased speculative activity and we are likely to have fluctuating markets with some check. The belief in inflation is increasing and increased support is coming forth but it will be advisable to be cautious.

Yesterday, the Wall Street market opened firm under the influence of good war news, together with expectations of an imminent announcement in connection with the war strategy. President Roosevelt and Churchill are in Africa now and the result of their discussions is awaited. There was considerable short covering and industrials registered new high levels and the session was most lively gains of one dollar were plentiful but similar losses were well distributed.

On the local Stock Exchange, Tata Steel Defds opened Rs. 33 higher at Rs. 1745 and declined to Rs. 1730. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 361 and ruled quiet at Rs. 359 Century shares opened at Rs. 672 and declined to Rs. 666. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1760 and were steady at Rs. 1755. Associated Cement shares opened at Rs. 220 and after advancing to Rs. 222 declined to Rs. 217 x.d. At the decline there was renewed buying and earlier losses were regained and the market was very steady.

Towards the close there was increased selling and Tata Steel Defds declined to Rs. 1702/8. Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 356, Bombay Dyeings at Rs. 1740, Century Rs. 660 and Cement Rs. 213/8 X.D.

TEXTILE SECTION

Ahmedabad Advance 442/8; Bharat Mills 83; Bombay Dyeing 1740; Century 662; Central India 416; Colaba Land 244; Dawn 1040; E. D. Sassoon ord 13/12; E. D. Sassoon defd 3/7; Finlay 335; Gokak 359; Edward Sassoon 362/8; Hindustan 3650; Indian Manfg 3590; Indian Bleaching 231; Indore Malwa 805; Khatau 392/8; Kohinoor 654; Lakshmi 1200; Minerva 177/8; Madhowji 22; Model Nagpur 330; Madhusudan 502/8; Meyer Sassoon 182/8; Morarji 845; Mysore xd 192/8; New Great 393; Phoenix 650; Podar Mills 332/8; Sassoon Silk 118; Sholapur 8100; Shri Nivas 406; Simplex xd 272/8; Svadeshi 566; Swan 311; Tata Mills 458; Vishnu 2226; Western India 3150.

INSURANCE SECTION

Bombay Life 162/8; Empire Life 675; Indian Mercantile 72; Jupiter 18/4; New India 61; Oriental 44254; Vulcan 11/4; Industrial and Prudential 34.

HYDRO AND ELECTRIC SECTION.

Ahmedabad 191/4; Ajmere 14; Andhra Valley ord 1775; Bombay Tram ord 148/8; Bombay Suburban 183/12; Broach 13/8; Karachi 227/8; Poona 265; Surat 193/12; Surat New Rs. 5 Pd Prem. 70; Tata Hydro ord 185; Tata Power ord 1670.

BANK SECTION

Bank of India 158; Baroda 129/8; Bombay Provincial 57; Central Bank 60/4; Imperial Bank P P xd 1660; Imperial Bank P P xd 417/8; Reserve 106; Union 7/12; Habib 82.

PREFERENCE SHARES

7 per cent Andhra Valley 1662/8; 6 per cent Bombay Steam 335; 7 per cent Bombay Tram 80; 6 per cent Central India 690; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter 19/12; 6 1/2 per cent Surat 193/12; 6 1/4 per cent Premier Construction 1st 125; 6 1/4 per cent Premier Construction 2nd 124/8; 6 per cent Tata Iron and Steel 1st 205; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Iron and Steel 2nd 140; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 165/10; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1661/4; 7 per cent Vishnu 775/10

DEBENTURES

4 per cent Andhra Valley 104/12; 4 per cent Tata Chemical 215; 4 per cent Tata Power 105; 5 per cent Sholapur Rs. 64 Pd. 72/8; 6 per cent Marsland Price 113/8.

RAILWAY SECTIONS

Ahmedabad Prantej 925; Central Provinces 107; Dhond Baramati xd 105; Gujarat 102/8; Hoshiarpur Doab 102; Mandra Bhon xd 108; Mymensing Rebate 101; Mymensing Gtd 107; Pachora Jamner xd 100/8; Sara Sirajganj 104/8; Sialkot Narowal xd 115; Sialkot New 48; Sind Light 75; Upper Sind Light 116.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Alembic Chemical 307/8; Alcock Ashdown 590; Associated Cement xd 214; B B Petrol 2/4; Belapur 230; Bombay Burma Old 360; Bombay Burma New 117/8; Indian Radio ord 367/8; Indian Radio defd 360; Investment Trust 53/8; Premier Construction 152; Port Canning 86; Scindia 25/4; Shivrajpur 58/8; Tata ord 355/8; Tata defd 1706/8; Tata Chemical 31/2; Tata Oil 84; Wimco 313/12; Bombay Steam 440; Burma Corporation 3/1; B.I.C. ord 6-2 1/2; Indian Copper 2-5; Indian Iron 32/10; Steel Corporation of Bengal 25/2; New Victoria ord 8.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 27.

Tata Ordinary 358/8; Tata Deferred 1712/8; Indian Iron 32/6; Steel Corporation of Bengal 24/14; Bombay Dyeing 1740; Central India 417/8; Century 661/14; Gokak 359; Kohinoor 655; Simplex 274; Andhra Valley 1772/8; Tata Hydro 185; Tata Power 1672/8; Associated Cement 214 xd; Belapur 230; Bombay Burma (old) 360.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 27.

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 9/32 Two Months
Bank buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Three Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Four Months
B. C. Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32

LONDON/NEW YORK—
Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs 329 1/2 D D Rs. 326 1/2

LONDON/MONTREAL—
302 1/2
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 294 3/4

LONDON/BERLIN—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2

LONDON/STOCKHOLM—
Banks selling T T K 123 D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128

MEXICO/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04 D D Rs 62.04

LISBON/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Ecs 7.35 nom D D Esc 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 nom D D Esc 7.55

AUSTRALIA/LONDON—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T — D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Very steady
Gold £8-8-0 Ready.
New York Silver 44 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money :—Call one and two months 1/4 per cent
3 to 9 months 1/2 per cent
10 to 12 months 3/4 per cent
Tone :—Some enquiry.

LONDON GOLD
London, Jan. 26.
Gold Bars Fine per ounce £8-8-0

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 27.

On Tuesday, the New York cotton market was influenced by price control uncertainties and before noon prices recorded a decline of about one dollar per bale.

Prices declined on persistent long liquidation under the influence of uncertainties over price control and buyers were unusually cautious awaiting important announcement. Later on there was scattered covering and the market was steady at the decline.

At the opening March stood at about the highest level of the day at a decline of 4 points at 19.76 and under increased selling declined to 19.59 which was the lowest level reached at noon. Later on there was some covering and March rallied to 19.69. The market finally closed at a net decline of 11 to 15 points. Spot cotton prices were 9 points lower at 21.42c. per lb.

The New Orleans coton futures market was easy and closed at a decline of 11 to 17 points. Spot cotton prices were reduced 13 points at 20.35c. per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Jan. 26.

March	19.69—11
May	19.51—15
July	19.40—14
October	19.25—14
December	19.21—15
January	19.17—15
Middling Spot	21.42—69

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, Jan. 26

March	19.95—11
May	19.75—16
July	19.62—17
October	19.45—16
December	19.40—17
Middling Spot	19.35—13

NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL
New York, Jan. 26

March	19.60
May	19.45
July	19.34

LONDON WHEAT
London, Jan. 26.
Wheat Rozario Santa Fe Jan/Feb quoted 25/1 1/2
Wheat Australian Jan/Feb quoted 28

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Jan. 26.

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£68 3/8
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£32 1/2
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£107 1/4
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£105 3/8
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£114 3/8
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£113 5/8
Chartrered Bank of I A and China	£7 15/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.)	£66 3/4
National Bank of India	£33 1/8

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, Jan. 26.
T T London on :—
New York sellers 4.02 1/2 buyers 4.03 1/2
Madrid official 40.5
Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47
Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4
Stock sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

Reserve Bank Of India

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 22nd day of January, 1943.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	14,44,02,000
Notes in circulation	590,72,83,000
Total Notes issued	605,16,85,000
Total Liabilities	605,16,85,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities : 66.138 per cent.

ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion :—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,43,000
(b) Held outside India	—
Sterling Securities	355,83,39,000
Total of A.	400,24,82,000
B. Rupee Coin	15,55,97,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	189,36,06,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial Paper	—
Total Assets	605,16,85,000

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 22nd January, 1943.

LIABILITIES—	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits :—	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Government of India	10,22,93,000
(2) Government of Burma	1,18,31,000
(3) Other Government Accounts	10,12,01,000
(b) Banks	51,47,70,000
(c) Others	4,42,92,000
Bills Payable	1,59,80,000
Other Liabilities	6,82,72,000
Rupees	95,86,39,000

ASSETS.—	
Notes	14,44,02,000
Rupee Coin	12,18,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,49,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted :—	
(c) Government Treasury Bills	1,74,70,000
Balances held abroad*	69,10,36,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	83,00,000
Investments	6,92,02,000
Other Assets	2,66,62,000
Rupees	95,86,39,000

*Includes Cash & Short term Securities.

SEEDS MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 27.

In response to all city markets, the local seeds market was fairly firm with speculative buying and prices registered good improvement. Later on there was moderate realising and prices reacted. Groundnuts May after advancing to Rs. 81/2 reacted to Rs. 80/6 while Castorseeds May after touching Rs. 85 downturned to Rs. 83/11. Linseed May quoted at Rs. 10-4-6. The market was steady.

Groundnuts May :—			
Opening		80	13 0
Highest		81	1 0
Lowest		80	1 0
Closing		80	9 0
Castorseeds May :—			
Opening		85	0 0
Highest		85	0 0
Lowest		83	4 0
Closing		84	4 0
Linseed May		10	5 6

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Jan. 27.

Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 250 28 230 35 230 42 220 49-56 215

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 228 24 185 28 185 35 174 42 174 49-56 174

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 130 Rosita Rs. 125 Country make Rs. 100 Pigtead 'B.M.' Refined Rs. 75 per cwt.

SETTLEMENT RATES.

Copper sheets Chatter Rs. 230/8
Market tone :—Firm.

SALES OF ASSAM TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. 50,00,000 of three months' Government of Assam Treasury Bills were opened on Wednesday, the 27th January, 1943. Total amount offered was Rs. 73,00,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-11-3 were accepted in full, and those at Rs. 99-11-0 allotted approximately 68 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. 50,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 1-4-0 per cent per annum.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

MARCH
New York, Jan. 27.

Previous closing	19.69
To-day's opening	19.83
Difference	+.14

CROSS RATES

T T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, Jan. 27.

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	not received

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, Jan. 27.

Previous buyers	closing 4.02 1/2	sellers	4.03 1/2
To-day's buyers	opening 4.02 1/2	sellers	4.03 1/2
To-day's buyers	closing 4.02 1/2	sellers	4.03 1/2

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD
London, Jan. 27.
London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER
London, Jan. 27.
Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES
London, Jan. 27.
London on Bombay (1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-5 31/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Jan. 27.
General Motors (dol 46 3/8) dol 46 1/2
Anaconda Copper (dol 26 3/4) dol 26 5/8
U. S. Steel (dol 50 3/8) dol 50 1/8
U. S. Steel Preference (dol 114 5/8) unquoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Jan. 27.
The London Stock Exchange was firm today.

AUSTRALIAN LOAN
3 per cent Commonwealth (£102 1/2) £102 1/4

BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent British Consols (£32 1/2) £32 1/2
3 per cent Conversion Loan (£107 1/4) 107 1/4
3 per cent Conversion Loan (£100 9/16) £100 9/16
4 per cent War Loan £114 3/4) £114 3/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£105 3/8) £105 7/16
3 per cent War Loan (£102 7/8) £102 13/16
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£113 5/8) £113 1/2

INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors 24-1 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 45-0
Electric Music Industry 21-6
Princhin Johnson 31-3
Imperial Chemical 38-6
Woolsworth Ordinary 58-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £78 1/2
Dunlop Rubber 35-0
Unilever Ordinary 34-6
Ford Motors 31-9
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £77 1/4
British American Tobacco Ordy £4 15/16
Carrears 'A' £6
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £7 11/32
P and O Defd 34-0
Distillers 86-9
Bredford Dyers 15-9
British Celanese 17-0
J and P Coates 43-3
Courtaulds Ordinary 48-6
Fine Cotton Spinners 16-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary 20-0
Inter Nickels dol 51 3/4
Indian Iron 51-3

TEA SHARES
Assam 21-6
Donaro Tea 35-6
Rubber Plant 23-6

JUTE
Barnagore £7

RUBBER SHARES
Anglo-Dutch 14-4 1/2
Gula Kelampong 9-0
Rubber Plant 18-6

MINING SHARES
Nandydrug 19-4 1/2
Burma Corporation 5-4 1/2
Rio Tintos £10
East Rand Properties £1 3/4
Rand Mines £6 3/4

MINE SHARES
Crown Mining £8 1/2
Associated Portland Cement 60-0
Trinidad Leasehold 73-9
Sub-Nigel £5 11/16
Spring Mines Split Shares £0 7/8
Union Corporation 146-3

OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian 33-1 1/2
Anglo-India 90-7 1/2
Burma Oil £3 3/32
Mexican Eagle 10-7 1/2
Shell Transport £3 7/16
Royal Dutch £25

RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary £60 1/2
London Midland Ordinary £28 7/8
London North Eastern Defd £4 7/8
London Southern Defd £24 3/4
London Transport 5 per cent £132
London Transport 'C' £60 1/4

LONDON COMMODITIES

SEEDS
London, Jan. 27.
Castorseeds Bombay January/February (£35) £35 quoted
Linseed Calcutta January/February (£26) £26 quoted
Linseed La Plata January/February unquoted
Groundnut Coromandal January/February East Coast Indian shipment (£29 1/2 quoted) £29 1/2 quoted. West Coast Indian shipment (£31) £31 quoted

LONDON METALS
London, Jan. 27.
Electric Copper (£52) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No 3 (131 sh) 131 sh

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Jan. 27.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 99/0
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94
3 per cent 1949/52 Loan 100/6
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 99/13
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 103/14
3 per cent 1963/65 98/8
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 101/12
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 110/6
4 1/2 per cent 1958/60 Loan 114
3 per cent 1946 Def Loan 102/15

TAX FREE LOANS
6 per cent 1945/55 Loan 108/3
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore 117
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 128/8

CORPORATION DEBENTURES
4 per cent B P T 1974 108/8
4 per cent M Deb 1974 110/0
5 per cent M Deb 1959 118
5 per cent M Deb 1954 128
5 per cent K P T 1956 120

LONDON SILVER
London, Jan. 26.

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

Madras Share Market

MADRAS, Jan. 27.

The market was firm. Following are to-day's quotations :—

Hyderabad State Bank 102; Indian Bank small 56/12; do F. P. 225; Trichinopoly Mills 25/8; Mysore Spun 18/8; Cambodia 33/4; Mysore silk filature 20/8; Madura 64; Krishna Rajendra 54; Lakshmi New 111/8; Bala Subramania 115; Lakshmi old 211; Janardhana 195; Meenakshmi 38; Ranga Vilas 150/8; Coimbatore Spg. 235; Sitaram Spg. 189-cd Buckingham 293/8; Mettur Industries 267/8; Kaleeswarar 582/8; Vasantha 307; Pankaja 302/8; Coimbatore Murugan 239; Sarada 215; Radhakrishna 445; Coimbatore Pioneer 368; Rajapalayan 285; Malabar Spg. 550; Thirumbadi 4/5; Nilgiri Neerugundi 9/2; Ouchtersoney 10/10; Chembra Peak 9/13; Mysore Plantations 3/4; Athimattam 2/10/6; Vayitri Plantation 2/15; Emerald Valley 3/12; Cochin Malabar 15/12 cd; Kalasasa Tea 13/2; Cotuanad (3/10; Midland 15/2; Rajagiri 15/4; Parkside 19/4; Savamalai 15/8; Tropical 41; Thamaraipally 20; Coonoor Tea 10/10; Vellamalai 23/4; Cochin Rubber 21/4; Fringford 14/4; Balanoor Pref 13/6; South Madras 2nd Pref 12/8; Kumbakonam 11; Nellore Power 7/2; Keypore Sugar 15/6; Mysore Sugar 50/12; Spencer Ordy 7/12; Mysore Paper 21/8; Mettur Chemical Ordy 23/14; do Defd 7/14; Mysore Chemical and Fert 22/8; Mysore Chemical Mnrs. 38/8; Steel Rolling 7/6.

CASE AGAINST "SUNDAY OBSERVER"

MADRAS, Jan. 27.

The Chief Presidency Magistrate framed charges to-day under Section 500 I.P.C. (defamation) against Mr. P. Balasubramaniam and Mr. Baquir Hussain, Editor and Printer respectively, of the "Sunday Observer", an English weekly, for having defamed Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar by writing and publishing an article on October 4, 1942 containing imputations against the reputation of Mr. Rajagopalachariar.

The accused pleaded 'not guilty'. The case was adjourned till tomorrow for hearing.—A. P.

WOMEN DISCUSS CIVIL DEFENCE

NEW DELHI, January 27.

Addressing the Women's Civil Defence Conference today Sir J. P. Srivastava observed that women were the natural commandants of the Home Front and it was they who could assist most with A.R.P. in the Home, simple first aid, encouragement of good neighbourliness and perhaps most important of all allaying of panic and counter-action of false rumours.

In the course of the discussion that followed Lady Imam (Bihar) Miss Sarangi (Assam) Begum Mohammed Hussain (U.P.) and Rani Phulkumari, Saheba (U.P.) spoke in support of a separate women's A.R.P. organisation, while Miss Bankart (Bengal) Mrs. J. C. Chatterjee and Miss Davidson (Delhi) opposed it.

Lady Imam and Begum Saheba Akhtar advocated work among the masses and said that the message of A.R.P. should be carried to them by women going from house to house.

Miss Sarangi observed that people in the villages gave no attention to men or women who were paid by the Government. Voluntary workers she said were best for propaganda among the villagers.

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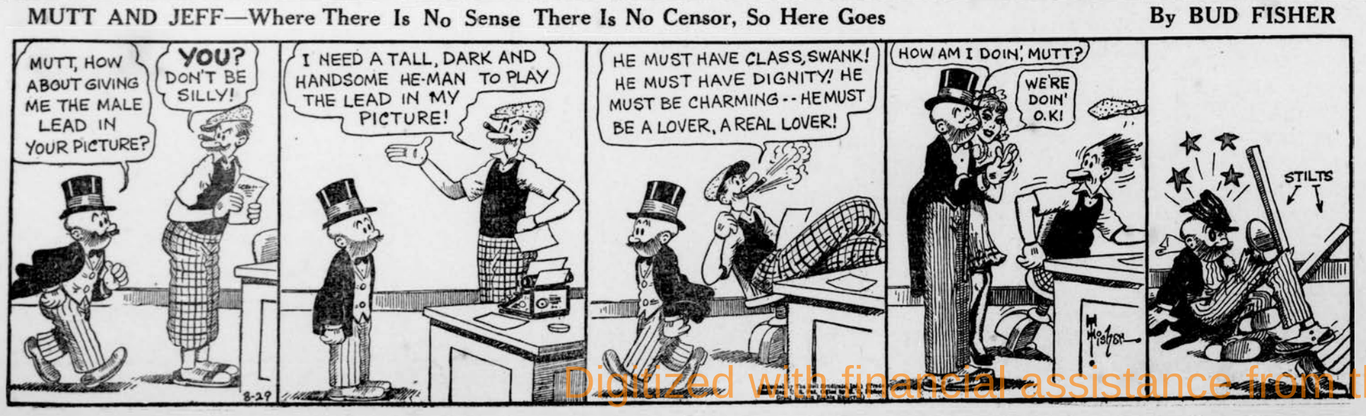
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Roosevelt-Churchill Plan For World-Wide Offensives

'Unconditional Surrender Meeting' At Casablanca

CASABLANCA, Jan. 27.

Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt have just finished talks here lasting ten days. Plans to help Russia as much as possible were the main object of the talks.

M. Stalin was invited to attend but was unable to do so. M. Stalin was kept fully informed of the military proposals.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN CHIEFS OF STAFF ATTENDED THE TALKS AT WHICH PLANS FOR OFFENSIVE ACTION THIS YEAR WERE COMPLETED.

GENERALS GIRAUD AND DE GAULLE HAVE ALSO MET AND ANNOUNCED AGREEMENT ON THE LIBERATION OF FRANCE BY UNION OF ALL FIGHTING FRENCHMEN.

COMPLETE AGREEMENT

Reuter's special correspondent in Casablanca writes:—Mr Churchill and President Roosevelt have completed a ten-day meeting in the suburb of Casablanca in French Morocco. They have reached complete agreement—says an official communique—on "offensive campaigns of 1943."

Their prime object is "to draw as much of the weight as possible off the Russian armies by engaging the enemy as heavily as possible at best selected points."

General Giraud and General De Gaulle also met at Casablanca and announced an agreement. In a joint official statement they say "We have met—we have talked. We have registered our entire agreement on the end to be achieved, which is the liberation of France and the triumph of human liberties by the total defeat of the enemy. This end will be attained by the union in war of all Frenchmen fighting side by side with all their Allies."

STALIN'S INABILITY TO ATTEND

M. Stalin was invited to take part in the conference, but was unable to leave Russia because of the offensive which he is directing. He was kept fully informed of the military proposals.

The Premier and President were accompanied by their combined chiefs of staff. General Alexander and General Eisenhower were "visitors." Mr. Churchill said that it was the most important war conference he had ever witnessed or attended.

President Roosevelt said that determination has been reached that peace can come to the world only by the total elimination of German and Japanese power and this means "unconditional surrender" by Germany, Italy and Japan.

He suggested that the Casablanca conferences might aptly be termed an "unconditional surrender" meeting between himself and Churchill.

The President explained that this does not mean the destruction of the Axis countries and populations but the destruction of their philosophy of hate and fear subjugation of other peoples.

President Roosevelt flew to Casablanca.

IN CONSTANT SESSION FOR 10 DAYS

For ten days the combined staffs have been in constant session, meeting two or three times a day and recording progress at intervals to the President and Prime Minister.

The entire field of war was surveyed, theatre by theatre, throughout the world and all resources were marshalled for a more intense prosecution of the war by sea, land and air.

Nothing like this prolonged discussion between the two Allies has ever taken place before. Complete agreement was reached between the leaders of the two countries and their respective staffs upon war plans and enterprises to be undertaken during the campaign in 1943 against Germany, Italy and Japan with a view to drawing the utmost advantage from the markedly favourable turn of events at the close of 1942.

Premier Stalin was cordially invited to meet the President and Prime Minister in which case the meeting would have been held very much farther to the east.

TO RELIEVE RUSSIA

The President and Prime Minister realised to the full the enormous weight of the war which Russia is successfully bearing along her whole land front and their prime object has been to draw as much of the weight as possible off the Russian armies by engaging the enemy as heavily as possible at the best selected points.

The President and Prime Minister have been in communication with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

They have apprised him of the measures which they are undertaking to assist him in China's magnificent, and unrelaxing struggle for the common cause.

CONFERENCE WITH FRENCH GENERALS

The occasion of the meeting between the President and Prime Minister made it opportune to invite General Giraud to confer with the combined chiefs of staff and to arrange for meeting between him and General De Gaulle.

The two generals have been in close consultation. The President and Prime Minister and combined staffs having completed their plans for the offensive campaigns of 1943 have now separated in order to put them into active and concerted execution."

OCCUPIED ADJOINING VILLAS

President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill occupied adjoining villas in the beautiful residential suburbs of Casablanca, which formed the setting of the conference.

Members of the staffs met in a hilltop building overlooking the city and the Atlantic.

Mr. Churchill told newspaperman that it was "the most important war conference" he had known. Members of the staff had been continuously at work for endless hours of day and night reviewing the year's plans with thoroughness and comprehensiveness never before witnessed.

He was sure that the most excellent results would be forthcoming. The meeting place, Mr. Churchill declared, was at one of the centres of direction of the war.

PLANS FOR 'WORLD-WIDE OFFENSIVE

President Roosevelt stressed that the Chiefs of Staff had been in most intimate touch, living in the same hotel and all were personal friends. They had been literally discussing the whole world—as required by the global war.

They had kept two primary objectives before them in all the discussions—first, the principle of pooling the Allied resources on a world-wide basis, secondly, maintaining the initiative of the Allied powers in every part of the world.

A world-wide offensive would be vigorously prosecuted and all possible material aid would be sent to Russia—to whose magnificent battle both President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill paid a tribute.

The Russian offensive could be counted upon, President Roosevelt said, to continue to cut down German man-power and to continue the attrition of German munitions and material, which the invaders were expending at such an enormous rate on the Russian front.

The results of the staffs' decisions had been communicated to M. Stalin and President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill were keeping in close touch with him.

The President said that the meetings had also renewed the determination to give all possible aid to China, now in her sixth year of war, to end forever any threat of Japanese domination of the Chinese.

President Roosevelt made the suggestion that it should be called an "Unconditional Surrender Meeting." This was a reference to the American civil war and General Ulysses Simpson Grant whose predilection for fight to the finish won him the nickname based on his initials of "Unconditional Surrender Grant."

President Roosevelt remarked that it was a historic moment as Generals Giraud and De Gaulle shook hands after chatting with the President and Prime Minister.

President Roosevelt speaking first to the assembled pressmen said that the success of North African landings made it apparent that it was time for another Roosevelt-Churchill meeting for review and planning of this year's campaign.

The meeting had been discussed since early December. Saying that they greatly regretted M. Stalin's inability to come President Roosevelt pointed out that M. Stalin as Commander-in-Chief was responsible for the wonderful detailed plan of the Russian winter offensive.

President Roosevelt then called on "Winston" (he used Churchill's Christian name). Mr. Churchill declared that nothing that might ever occur in this war could ever come between him and President Roosevelt.

They were working together, linked by a friendship which was one of the strongest sinews of the war of the Allied powers, making possible things which otherwise with the best will world would be impossible between the heads of the Allied nations.

Mr. Churchill praised the great enterprise of the African attack, in which he said he had been President Roosevelt's willing lieutenant, and which had altered the whole strategic outlook of the war.

Its result had been to give the initiative into the Allied hands Hitler had been hoodwinked. Outgeneralled and out-manoeuvred by the great enterprise launched in North Africa and Rommel having fled 1,500 miles chased by the British Eighth Army, probably now wished to present himself as the deliverer of Tunisia.

Mr. Churchill stressed the thoroughness of the professional discussions here during the ten days and echoed the Allies' unconquerable will to pursue the war to "Unconditional Surrender."

President Roosevelt expressed the hope that the presence of General de Gaulle and Giraud would have the result that French armies, navies and air forces would once again take their part with the Allies and share in the ultimate liberation of France.

Stalin Receives U. S. Ambassador

M. Stalin received the United States Ambassador, Admiral Standley and the British Charge D'Affaires at the Kremlin on Tuesday. The Foreign Commissar M. Molotov was also present.—Reuter.

New U. S. Dive-bombers In Full Production

LARGE-SCALE PLANS FOR NAVY ENLARGEMENT.

NEW YORK Jan. 27

A new dive bomber, surpassing any now employed, is in full production in the United States and the first has already been delivered to the United States Army Air Force.

WASHINGTON: Senator Chandler said on Tuesday, that the United States Navy had informed the Senate Military Committee of plans to have strength of 2,220,000 by December this year.

M. Atay, leader of the Turkish Press Delegation and M. Belge visited the office of the "Hindustan Times", Delhi. In the front row (seated) are M. Belge Mr. Devadas Gandhi, M. Atay and Mr. Subramaniam.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

It is with regret that we have learnt of the sad death of Dr. Kotnis, one of the two Indian doctors who voluteered to give their time and labour to relieve human suffering in the brutal war which Japan inflicted on China. The services of these two doctors have chiefly been devoted to the Red Army, known as the Eighth Route Army, chiefly operating in North China. Chu Teh, who commands the Reds, and Chow En Lai and the great Mao have always had great things to say about these Indians who fought by their side. For fighting disease was even more gruesome than fighting armies. And you must remember that the Japanese were known to unload plague-infected rice in Chinese-occupied territory for they regarded anything as fair in war which advanced their (Japanese) cause. Dr. Kotnis must be regarded as one of the unknown unostentatious and uncrowned heroes of this war. But he does not die unwept and unsung, for a grateful China will always remember his work.

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While the most strenuous efforts are being made by everyone to economise on paper, the Native Share & Stock Brokers' Association put up a notice yesterday requesting all the Brokers to dispense with contract bookss because the Committee have decided upon another form of contract. Now there are about 400 brokers of the Association and every member has at least a dozen books of 100 pages. If all this is to be scrapped, it looks like an awful waste of good paper. Can't something be done to stop this vandalism?

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